

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the present application is hereby requested.

Claims 1 to 19 were pending in this application. Claim 19 has been canceled.

Claims 1-18 have been allowed over the prior art of record.

In regard to the objection to the abstract of the disclosure, Applicant submits herein a revised abstract that now conforms to the mandates set forth in MPEP §608.01(b).

Concerning the rejection of claim 19 under 35 U.S.C. § 101 because the claimed invention reportedly is directed to non-statutory subject matter, Applicant respectfully submits that the cancellation of this claim should render this ground for rejection moot.

In view of the foregoing remarks, Applicant respectfully requests favorable reconsideration and allowance of the present application and all pending claims.

It is our understanding that no additional fee is required for this Information Disclosure Statement. If our understanding is incorrect, however, the Director is hereby authorized to charge any required fees to Deposit Account No. 08-2622.

Respectfully submitted,

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